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Classified By: POL M/C Brian Flora. Reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

1. (C) Polmiloff met with Foreign Affairs Canada officials and a Department of National Defence representative on October 7 to deliver refTel message and text. Meeting participants were CWC National Coordinator Bob Brooks, Senior Advisor for Industry Issues Adrian Ghita-Duminica, Nonproliferation Deputy Director Victor Rakmil and Major Don Neal.

2. (C) Though not necessarily 'expecting' the U.S. request at this time, Brooks said he was not surprised to hear from us. He volunteered that Canada recently had started negotiating an MOU with the UK (Canada's largest CBW research facility is located at a significant military base in the UK). Canada hoped to finalize the agreement on the margins of the COP in November, he said. Welcoming the opportunity to hold discussions with the U.S. at that time, Brooks said the Canadian Delegation will arrive in the Hague on November 5 and depart on November 12. They will be lodged at the Dorint Hotel.

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